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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of )  
Tomotaka Yokoyama et al )  
Serial No.: 10/761,771 )  
Filed: January 20, 2004 )  
For: Management Technique Of Friction )  
Coefficient Based On Surface Roughness, )  
Substrate For An Information Recording )  
Medium, Information Recording Medium )  
And Manufacturing Method Thereof )  
Art Unit: 1773 )  
Examiner: Leszek B. Kiliman )

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT (A)**

Sir:

Applicants have the following response to the Office Action of September 9, 2004.